BALTIMORE ALL-STARS — Nine youngsters from Baltimore high schools are scheduled to see action in the Maryland Coaches All-Star Football Game, set for the University of Maryland Stadium on Aug. 9. Left to right, named to the North Squad for the contest: Rodney Swayne, Woodlawn fullback; Larrell Freeman, Poly tackle; Don Beasley, Dundalk quarterback; Brown Pinkney, Poly linebacker; Bo Darden, Edmondson wide receiver; Charles Johnson, Southwestern tackle; Roland Dobbins, Southwestern defensive back; Nate Johnson, linebacker-kicker from City, and Emmanuel Massey, Northwestern linebacker. Also listed to compete with the North Squad are Craig Harrington, who plays tight end and defensive end for Howard High in Columbia, and Zach Jackson, an offensive-defensive back from Gov. Thomas Johnson High School in Frederick.

Dunbar's Poets still "we" in Sugar Cain retirement

by Greg Logan

After 32 years of coaching, teaching, and guiding school students to varied careers, Sugar Cain decided to make 1975 his last year of involvement in Dunbar sports.

Yet, he speaks with the voice and spirit of a man who has trouble admitting to himself that he is no longer a part of the scene.

In talking to Mr. Cain, one gets the feeling that he still holds a special place in his heart for his old school. For, when discussing Dunbar sports, academics, or students, he still uses the term "we."

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He thinks that the desegregation plan, which has most coaches in a frenzy wondering how they will keep their best athletes, will actually benefit Dunbar both academically and athletically, since it will become a citywide school with an emphasis on health careers.

"Now we will be drawing students from all over the city, and since they will be screened for entry, we can't help feeling that we will be getting some of the most intelligent in the city as well as some good athletes," he said.

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In addition to being the varsity basketball coach for the Poets, Mr. Cain was also a physical education teacher and the varsity baseball and football coach during his tenure. "I enjoyed football especially," he stated.

He has sharp criticism for people who start trouble, such as the 1971 fight that broke out after a Dunbar loss to Mt. St. Joseph in basketball.

After that unfortunate experience the Catholic schools left the MSA and formed their own league. "We always tell our students that they must learn to lose and win with the same grace," he explained.

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Another result of the 1971 violence was that Dunbar was placed on probation and ont allowed to play any home games for an entire year.

"The people who started the trouble," declared Mr. Cain, "consider themselves [illegible] but my real fans would not want to cause [illegible] team that kind of penalty."

He said that at subsequent meetings of the MSA coaches, of which he was vice-president, he always tried to convince the Catholic League coaches to come back into the regular MSA set-up, or at least to have some kind of play-off with the MSA champs.

"But they (the Catholic League) seem to be satisfied with the current format," he lamented.

"In the future," he added, "I would like to see this conflict resolved, so we can have one true champion in our community."

Sugar Cain
in days he can't forget

AFRO Sports

Duane Thomas sets Skins' talk

Recalcitrant Duane Thomas is expected in Washington sometime today (Friday) to discuss contract with the Washington Redskins.

The club has said Thomas, who played out his option in 1974, will not be permitted to join the team at Carlisle, Pa., until he is under contract.

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Thomas' attorney, Sam Jackson, said he and Thomas will meet with Redskins' officials to discuss a new pact. "It is his (Thomas') intent to resolve matters so he can start practice on Saturday," Jackson said.

Thomas and the rest of the Redskin veterans are due at training camp Saturday.

'Champ' program to salute Cain

Operation Champ's annual summer program, having already launched its softball activity, begins its Sugar Cain Basketball League schedule on Monday.

The loop, named for the retired athletic director-coach of Dunbar High School, will feature a game at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Lombard Junior High School.

The contest will highlight former Poets stars of the last 20 years.

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Pirates vs. Dodgers, 6 p.m.
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Giants vs. Cardinals, 6 p.m.
(All games Mosher and Wheeler)

Millionaire Thompson A ACC's best for 2nd time

RALEIGH, N.C. (UPI) — David Thompson, former North Carolina State star who Monday signed a multi-million dollar contract with the Denver Nuggets, (Tuesday) was picked for the second time as the outstanding athlete in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Thompson was picked by the Atlantic Coast Sports Writers Association to receive the Anthony J. McKelvin Award for the 1974-75 school year.

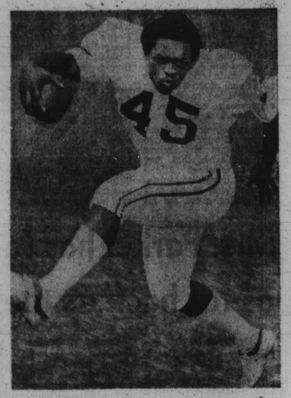
The 6-foot-4 forward was the ACC's first player to earn the honor as a sophomore when he won it in 1973 and is the first to take it twice. Last year he finished behind North Carolina miler Tony Waldrop in the balloting.

Thompson, an All-America and winner of the Naismith Award as the nation's top player last season, scored 2,309 points to set an ACC career record and was a unanimous all-conference player in the league for three years.

He averaged 29.9 points a game in his final year with North Carolina State's Wolfpack.

Thompson received 75 votes to 17 for Maryland defensive tackle Randy White. Jay Haas of Wake Forest, recent winner of the NCAA golf championship and low amateur in the U.S. Open, was third with 14 votes.

David Thompson
another honor



READY TO RING BELL — Former Baltimore high school and college star, Larry Jones, reported to the Glassboro State campus Sunday to seek a World Football League career with the Philadelphia Bell. Jones, a Poly product who did junior college work at Northeast Oklahoma State, led Towson State College to its 10-0 record last season. He is a running back.

Were you there?

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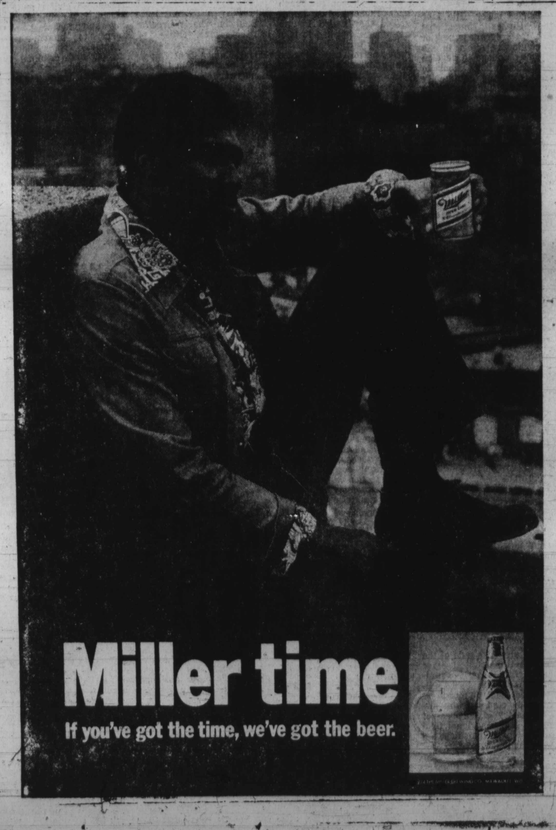


Losers admit NL wins All-Star Game all ways

There seemed to be general agreement in the wake of Tuesday night's All-Star Game at Milwaukee that a different kind of baseball is being played in the National League.

Losing players, especially first baseman George Scott, readily faced up to the fact that the American League squad was overmatched.

"The only team we got in the American league that plays like they do is the Oakland A's," Scott said after the AL had lost 10 of the 12th time in 13 games to the Nationals by a 5-3 score.

Vida Blue, who started for the AL and gave up three runs, agreed.

"In our league we run and take the extra base," he said. "All the other teams play conservative baseball and try to play catch up with us."

Bill Madlock of the NL Cubs, who was a co-winner of the game's most valuable player award, put his finger on the difference between the two teams.

"Our guys were on the bench cheering all the time," he said. "It was unbeleveable. Over on the other bench they were sitting there waiting to get beat."

Cincinnati's Pete Rose said the American League "had a lot of young guys on the bench and they seemed kind or awed by the whole thing while our guys were loose as a goose."

Bobby Murcer, who came to the National League after four All-Star years in the American League, noticed a difference, too.

"From what I saw there is a different atmosphere of some kind," he said. "On our bench everybody had the winning spirit and it poured out. Over there it didn't seem like they had much."

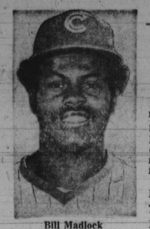
Scott and Blue were the two most eloquent spokesmen is the losers' locker room on the subject.

"Those guys in the other league play a lot more aggressive," Scott said. "Our teams play conservative baseball."

"In the National a guy's on first and someone gets a hit and there are runners on first and third. Over here that happens and we got runners on first and second. Their guys aren't afraid and everything they do is geared to force mistakes on us. There are more mental mistakes made in the American League than in the National League."

Blue said the National hitters were "much more aggressive."

"And those guys really tear up the bases and always play hard—to win," he said. "Our guys just aren't used to that approach."



Bill Madlock
voted MVP honor

70 Marylanders await Special Olympic finals

President Ford, Eunice Kennedy Shriver, Senator Edward Kennedy, and other members of the Kennedy family will be the official hosts of the International Special Olympic Games for retarded children and adults, August 7-11 at Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

Maryland is sending a delegation comprised of 70 athletes and 22 chaperones from 18 counties.

The five days of competition will include the track and field events featured at the state meet in June at Towson State College. Events include the 50-yard dash, 220-yard run, standing long jump, high jump, and softball throw.

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The games will also include swimming, basketball, and volleyball competition. A volleyball team from P. S. 307 in Baltimore City and a basketball team from Rosewood State Hospital will represent Maryland.

Maryland is also sending three youngsters to compete in ice skating events.

The games will feature 3,200 retarded participants from Belgium, Brazil, Mexico, El Salvadore, France, Canada and the United States.

Nationally recognized athletes Rafer Johnson Rosey Grier, Wayne Embry, Donna DeVerona, Tom Landry and others will conduct clinics throughout the four-day event.

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Special Olympics is a nationwide recreation program for mentally retarded children and adults. The national program comprises over 400,000 athletes.

In Maryland, 8,000 athletes participate in year round sports and recreation programs.

Every four years, Special Olympics, in conjunction with the Joseph P. Kennedy Jr. Foundation, sponsors the International Games.

The last games were held in Los Angeles in 1972.

Crowd has Hank 'tingle all over'

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (UPI) — A two-minute standing ovation at the pre-game introduction made home run king Henry Aaron "tingle all over," here Tuesday night.

The Milwaukee Brewers outfielder jogged onto the field as the introductions of the American League stars were being announced and the applause was deafening.

"It was great," said Aaron, who began his career with the old Milwaukee Braves.

Aaron got into his 24th All-Star game as a pinch-hitter in the second inning with two runner on, but hit a broken bat liner to short.

"I was using a different bat, but I thought I had hit the ball at the meat end," he said.

Emile Griffith in Largo bout

Maryland's popular young slugger Leo Saenz (22-1-1) of Potomac steps in against the legendary five-time former champion Emile Griffith, in the main bout of a seven fight program to be held at the Capital Centre in Landover Md., Wednesday night.

Griffith, currently Ring Magazine's tenth world ranked middleweight, is seeking a comeback, and takes on a tigerish youngster in Saenz, over ten rounds.

In accompanying eight-round bouts, junior welterweight Blue Walker, Washington, meets Roberto Medina, North Easton Mass., and welterweight Floyd Mayweather, Baltimore, rematches lone conqueror Tyrone Phelps, N.Y.C.

In four six-round affairs, Bobo Renfrow, Washington, returns to the heavyweight ranks against John Speedy Jordan, Norfolk Va.; John Berry, Washington, vs. Mahmoud Fadel, Beirut, heavyweights; popular Severna Park brawler young Johnny Wilburn vs. Jeff Wynn, Clarksburg W. Va., light heavyweights; and Emile Griffith stablemate welter Ronnie Gibbons, Liverpool England, will appear in a six.

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30-year reader wins AFRO's 'there' prize

"I was looking through my AFRO and saw this picture. I looked again and I said, 'That's me'. I was quite surprised. I have never won anything before."

These were the words of Louis Jones, Harlem Park Junior High School teacher who resides in Woodmoor. He was visiting the AFRO office to collect his $5 prize in this newspaper's 'Were You There'? contest.

In each edition the AFRO publishes photos of people spotted in candid situations at sports events or other public gatherings.

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If your picture appears, you are eligible to win. You need only to visit the AFRO office with proper identification before the deadlines which are Tuesday noon after Friday edition and Friday noon after Tuesday edition.

Mr. Jones was attending the Arts Festival in Hopkins Plaza when AFRO photographer Ben Phillips snapped his picture.

He and his wife, a teacher at Mount Royal Elementary School have a 17 year old daughter, who is a 12th grade student at Milford Mill High.

The family attends the Church of the Redeemer at Melrose and Charles St., where Father Patterson is the vicar.

Mr. Jones likes all the features in the AFRO; which he has been reading for "about 30 years" He buys his AFRO regularly from a drugstore in the Woodmoor Shopping Center.

YOU may be the next winner. Look for the 'Were You There?' picture in this issue and other editions you may be a winner.

'THERE' WINNER — Luis Jones looked like this in the AFRO's 'Were You There?' photo published last week. He collected cash prize. Accompanying story tells how and why.

Baltimore pilot city in SBA loan test plan

The U. S. Small Business Administration today announced details of a test plan now in operation to stimulate the economy in Baltimore and other heavily minority populated communities across the nation.

SBA is using its Local Development Company Program to finance a portion of the cost of projects undertaken by local corporations whose primary purpose is to improve the economy in their areas.

The pilot cities are: Pritchard, Ala., Cleveland, Ohio; Detroit, Michigan; Baltimore, Md.; Santa Fe, New Mexico; Pueblo, Colo; and East Orange, NJ.

The areas chosen have critical economic problems, some caused by the closing of a military installation while others have been designated as economically deprived.

According to Thomas S. Kleppe, administrator, SBA, all target cities have negotiated with the Agency to begin initial steps required to bring together local citizens interested in promoting and assisting the development of small businesses.

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Gerard J. Lang, director of the Baltimore District Office of SBA explaines, "To be eligible for this kind of financing, at least 25 citizens are required to invest their own money to form a Local Development Company.

At least 75 percent of the corporations ownership must be held by persons living or doing business in the community".

Development company loans may be used to help small firms buy land, build new factories, acquire machinery and equipment and to expand or convert existing facilities.

I carrying out this program, SBA works through its local offices participating with banks, insurance companies, pension funds, other federal agencies, State authorities and local groups.

The development Council, a non-profit organization, with offices in Washington and New York is assisting the SBA in this effort by furnishing professional counseling and loan packaging assistance in these areas of heavy minority concentration.

Since the beginning of the courrent fiscal year, SBA has made 304 Development Company loans for a total of $40.9 million. The loans have created or maintained 12,968 jobs.

ABA weighs club's switch to Baltimore

Baltimore, deserted two years ago by the NBA Bullets, is reported under consideration for a franchise in the ABA.

Former American Basketball Association commissioner Mike Storen, now president of the Memphis Sounds, said Wednesday that Baltimore and Hartford, Conn., are high on the list of possibilities to house that club.

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Storen's statement came after ABA commissioner Dave DeBusschere announced in New York that, after five uncertain years, there would "definitely not be an ABA franchise operating in Memphis next season."

League officials "are negotiating with Baltimore and Hartford" on the future of the team, said Storen, who resigned as ABA commissioner in 1974 to take over the struggling Memphis franchise.

"The status of the team is still up in the air," DeBusschere said. "We have several options available and hopefully we will have an announcement by the end of the week."

Wednesday's statement came as no surprise, as the team has never had a winning year either on the court or at the box office. In the 1974-75 season, the Sounds finished 27-57 and drew an average attendance of about 3,000 to games.

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